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SUBJECT: US CONTRIBUTION TO RED CROSS INDOCHINA OPERATIONAL
GROUP (IOG)

REF: STATE 166349

1. RED CROSS IOG REPORTS FOLLOWING CONTRIBUTIONS TO IOG
RECEIVED SINCE PUBLICATION LIST OF CONTRIBUTIONS CONTAINED
IN ANNEX A TO IOG CIRCULAR NO. 8 OF AUGUST 7, 1973, COPY
OF WHICH NOW IN DEPT. (D/PW):

A. GOVT CANADA SWISS FRANCS 1,740,000. THIS BRINGS
TOTAL CANADIAN GOVT CONTRIBUTION TO SWISS FRANCS 2,880,344
AND TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS ALL GOVERNMENTS TO 18,916,036.

B. NATIONAL SOCIETY OF NORWAY SWISS FRANCS 480,000.
THIS BRINGS TOTAL NORWEGIAN SOCIETY CONTRIBUTION TO SWISS
FRANCS 530,000 AND TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS ALL NATIONAL SOCIETIES
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TO 4,015,244.

C. GRAND TOTAL ALL CONTRIBUTIONS NOW SWISS FRANCS 26,961,023.

2. WITHOUT CONSULTING IOG ON POINT RAISED PARA 3 REFTEL, MISSION BELIEVES IOG WOULD WISH NEW GRANT AGREEMENT TO BE MADE WITH ICRC HQS. GENEVA RATHER THAN WITH IOG. ICRC WOULD THEN DESIGNATE IOG AS ITS AGENT TO CARRY OUT TERMS OF AGREEMENT IN FIELD AND WOULD REMIT FUNDS TO IOG FOR EXPENDITURE. THIS PROCEDURE REQUESTED BY ICRC/IOG DURING COURSE OF NEGOTIATION APRIL 18, 1973 GRANT AGREEMENT FOR U.S. FINANCED ASSISTANCE IN KHMER REPUBLIC AND IS INCORPORATED IN TERMS THAT AGREEMENT. MISSION BELIEVES THIS IS MOST LOGICAL AND LEAST COMPLICATED WAY TO MAKE AGREEMENT.

3. MISSION SEES NO REASON TO FUNNEL FUNDS THROUGH AMERICAN RED CROSS, THUS INTRODUCING NEW PARTY IN NEGOTIATIONS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREEMENT. RECOMMEND FOLLOWING SAME FISCAL PROCEDURES, INCLUDING TRANSMITTAL BY MISSION GENEVA TO ICRC OF U.S. GOVERNMENT CHECK, AS FOLLOWED IN CASE OF APRIL 18 AGREEMENT CITED PARA 2 ABOVE.

4. RE SUGGESTED LANGUAGE PARA 4 REFTEL CONCERNING KINDS OF INDIVIDUALS TO BE ASSISTED UNDER AGREEMENT, MISSION RECOMMENDS THIS BE INCORPORATED IN AGREEMENT ITSELF AS WAS DONE IN SECTION 3(A) OF APRIL 18 AGREEMENT.

5. AGAIN, WITHOUT HAVING SOUNDED OUT ICRC, MISSION DOES NOT BELIEVE IT WISE INTRODUCE SUGGESTED LANGUAGE CONTAINED PARA 4 REFTEL. DEPT WILL RECALL THAT INTRODUCTION SAME TEXT INTO NEGOTIATIONS APRIL 18 AGREEMENT RESULTED IN LONG DELAY IN NEGOTIATIONS AND FINAL DELETION OF SUCH UNDERSTANDING WHEN IT BECAME APPARENT ICRC WOULD NOT SIGN AGREEMENT WITH SUGGESTED UNDERSTANDING IN BACKGROUND. AT THAT TIME ICRC POINTED OUT TO MISSION THAT IT READY AGREE TO UNDERSTANDING THAT IT WOULD OBTAIN AID APPROVAL BEFORE USING ANY CHANNELS OTHER THAN ICRC OR IOG IN DISPERSING AID WITHIN KHMER REPUBLIC FINANCED UNDER THAT AGREEMENT. THIS UNDERSTANDING ACTUALLY INCORPORATED IN SECTION 3(A) OF APRIL 18 AGREEMENT. SINCE THIS APPEARS PROTECT U.S. INTERESTS COMPLETELY, MISSION QUESTIONS PROPOSING TO ICRC LANGUAGE OF UNDERSTANDING SUGGESTED PARA 4 REFTEL, WHICH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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